

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	Cr. No. 25-cr-0879 JB
)	
vs.)	
)	
HERIBERTO SALAZAR-AMAYA et al.,)	
)	
Defendant.)	

UNITED STATES' WITNESS LIST

The United States of America submits this list of witnesses for trial in this matter. The United States reserves the right to supplement this list.

Drug Enforcement Administration ("DEA")

1. Special Agent ("SA") Gillian Polinko
2. SA David Zimmerman
3. Assistant Special Agent in Charge ("ASAC") Jeffrey Armijo
4. Group Supervisor ("GS") Billy Baker
5. SA Justin Mason
6. SA Dominic Maldonado
7. SA Trish Whelan
8. Task Force Officer ("TFO") Lorenzo Herrera
9. TFO Chris Pena
10. TFO Erick Castaneda
11. GS Christopher "Scott" Godier
12. SA Fernando Molina

13. SA Kevin Mondragon
14. SA Collin Stradling
15. TFO Tom Novicki
16. Acting GS Josh Belida
17. SA Ian McKenzie-Wardell
18. SA Caleb Brown
19. SA Jennifer Hernandez
20. SA Jeff Simms
21. TFO Frank Chavez
22. TFO Clarence Davis
23. TFO Travis Chavez
24. TFO Kenny Schnakenberg
25. TFO Bryan Shields
26. GS Jeff Mauldin
27. SA Ronald Zach Sanders
28. TFO Eloy Montoya
29. TFO Sarah Martinez
30. SA Tim Piatt
31. SA Emmett Fritz
32. TFO Israel Rodriguez
33. Faron Segotta – Evidence Custodian
34. Resident Agent in Charge (“RAC”) Sharon Jones
35. SA Todd Hoagland

36. SA Jeff Thomas
37. TFO Geno Zuniga
38. TFO RJ Smith
39. SA Dave Klingman
40. SA Teegan Hand
41. SA William Chipain
42. SA Kenny Bain
43. TFO Ian Anderson
44. GS Michael Swift
45. SA Gillian Hotchkiss
46. SA Maguerite DeFranco
47. SA Ray Miramontes
48. SA Toby Curry
49. GS Enoch Smith
50. TFO Jared Angell
51. SA Jordan Pisano
52. SA Nathanael Parker
53. SA Eric Breyer
54. TFO Jerom Bradbury
55. SA Geronimo Abrahao
56. TFO Daniel Weber
57. TFO Garber
58. TFO Grays

59. SA M. Downs

Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”)

60. SA Daryl Aragon

Federal Bureau of Investigation (“FBI”)

61. SA Sean Macmanus

62. SA Francisco Hurtado

63. SA Courtney Gale

64. SA Aran Marquis

65. SA Christine Zachry

66. SA Tyler Derderian

67. SSA Margaret Girard

68. SA Alexandra Rodriguez

69. SA Ryan Davis

70. SA Robert Balint

71. SA Jordan Spaeth

72. TFO Jerrod Pelot

73. TFO Andrew Feist

74. TFO Christopher Maestas

United States Marshals Service (“USMS”)

75. Deputy United States Marshal (“DUSM”) Raul Mojica

76. DUSM Michael Siebman

77. DUSM Kevin Hinson

78. DUSM Silas Zimmerman

- 79. SDUSM Ben Segotta
- 80. TFO Andrew Limon
- 81. TFO Lorenzo Mora
- 82. TFO Mitch Bengston
- 83. TFO Cutter Pryde

United States Probation and Pretrial Office

- 84. Probation Officer Jacob Gomez

United States Department of Homeland Security

- 85. Agent Menocal, Enforcement and Removal Operations

Bureau of Indian Affairs (“BIA”)

- 86. Nicholas Jackson

Isleta Police Department

- 87. Sgt. Michael Huckleby
- 88. Detective Tommy Romero
- 89. Detective Nikki Lowe
- 90. Detective Patrick Hein

Lea County Drug Task Force

- 91. Commander David Ibarra
- 92. Deputy Commander Ysidoro Reyna
- 93. Agent Mickey Henderson
- 94. Agent Preston Hitchcock
- 95. Agent Andrew Lane
- 96. Agent Timothy Budrow

Lea County Sheriff's Office

- 97. Deputy Aaron Navarrette
- 98. Deputy Clara Marquez
- 99. Deputy James Lara
- 100. Deputy Mara Goins
- 101. Deputy William Able

Maricopa County Sheriff's Office

- 102. J. Clapper
- 103. T. Clancy
- 104. W. White
- 105. D. Shabazz
- 106. K. Doolan
- 107. A. Cuzzo
- 108. T. Helton
- 109. M. Sollin
- 110. F. Villegas Gonzales
- 111. A. Hernandez
- 112. K. Beasy
- 113. R. Imming
- 114. D. Durand
- 115. J. Cambra
- 116. B. Allmon
- 117. B. Samarripa

- 118. Z. Herrera
- 119. A. Tramundanas
- 120. J. Maitem
- 121. E. Sanchez
- 122. J. Cesolini
- 123. C. Rupert
- 124. T. Banuelos
- 125. A. Lawson
- 126. C. Tymeson
- 127. A. Hamad

Phoenix Police Department

- 128. Detective Bryan Benson

Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department

- 129. Detective J. King Kaplan

DEA South Central Laboratory

- 130. Allison Krehbiel – Forensic Chemist
- 131. Kelsey Duxbury – Forensic Chemist
- 132. Taylor Clark – Forensic Chemist
- 133. Jay Hopenwasser – Forensic Chemist
- 134. Victor Bravenec – Forensic Chemist
- 135. Ramsin Michael – Forensic Chemist
- 136. Angela Cassidy – Forensic Chemist
- 137. Abby Minten – Forensic Chemist

- 138. Allison Anderson – Forensic Chemist
- 139. Mary Gay – Forensic Chemist
- 140. Kevin Roberson – Forensic Chemist
- 141. Paul Galat – Forensic Chemist
- 142. Taylor Clark – Forensic Chemist
- 143. Bradley Flemming – Forensic Chemist
- 144. Denise Williams – Forensic Chemist
- 145. Victor Bravenec – Forensic Chemist
- 146. Alexander Nguyen – Forensic Chemist
- 147. Forensic Chemist Genesis Claro – Forensic Chemist
- 148. Jasmine Gordon – Forensic Chemist
- 149. Brandon Wilson – Forensic Chemist
- 150. Aubrey Brink – Forensic Chemist
- 151. Xiu Liu – Forensic Chemist
- 152. Sariah Bahner – Forensic Chemist

New Mexico Department of Public Safety Forensic Laboratories

- 153. Matthias Strieker – Forensic Chemist

Cooperators (“C”)¹

- 154. C 1
- 155. C 2
- 156. C 3
- 157. C 4

¹ If the United States calls these witnesses in its case-in-chief, it will disclose their identities to opposing counsel via email before trial.

Metlang

- 158. Aisha Fregoso – Linguist
- 159. Vanessa Padilla – Linguist
- 160. Justin Rojas – Linguist
- 161. Yared Torres – Linguist
- 162. Esteisy Escalera – Linguist
- 163. Mariajesus Rodriguez – Linguist
- 164. Kevin Gonzalez – Linguist
- 165. Liliana Loya-Cedillo – Linguist
- 166. Gael Moreno – Linguist
- 167. Janet Cruz – Linguist
- 168. Virginia Perez-Ortega – Linguist
- 169. Hector Astudillo Potes – Linguist
- 170. Dalia Ramirez – Linguist
- 171. Jose Orozco – Linguist
- 172. Jorge Melendez – Linguist
- 173. Jorge Gandara – Linguist
- 174. Nayelly Escarcega – Linguist
- 175. Ricardo Arcibar – Linguist

Talton Communications Inc.

- 176. Cheryl A. Jarvis – Custodian of Records

Respectfully submitted,

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 12th day of July, 2025 I filed the foregoing pleading electronically through the CM/ECF system, which caused counsel of record to be served by electronic means on this date.

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